propagation and development. New schemes have also been approved for augmeting patient care facilities. Such schemes include establishment of ISM and H wing in District Hospital; speciality clinics and polyclinics in allopathy hospitals, supply of drugs to the State Government dispensaries etc.

Plan allocation for the Department of Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy for 10th Plan has been kept at Rs.775.00 crores and for the Annual Plan 2002-2003 a budget provision of Rs. 150.00 crores has been made.

Scholarships to SC students

*273. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a proposal for granting scholarships to Scheduled Castes post-matriculation students from the Government of Karnataka involving an amount of Rs.810.34 lakhs; and

(b) what is the present stage of this proposal and by when a decision is expected and the funds would be released?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The amount has already been released to Government of Karnataka on 12-08-2002.

Progress of SJSRY in Himachal Pradesh

*274. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government holds periodical meetings with Bankers and representatives of Himachal Pradesh State to review the progress of implementation of Swarna Jyanti Shahri Rozgar Yojana;

(b) if so, the number of such meetings held during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the status of SJSRY emerged from such meetings?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Periodical review meetings are held at the Central level to review the progress of Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY). Details of such meetings held during the last three years are given in the Statement. *(See* below)

(c) State Government of Himachal Pradesh have reported that 1253 urban poor have been assisted through setting up of micro enterprises, 1313 have received training and 5.84 lakh mandays of work generated so far with the utilisation of funds amounting to Rs. 1040.77 lakh upto September, 2002.

Statement

Details of review meetings held during the last three years at the Central level to review the progress of Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rojgar Yojana (SJSRY).

Date	Level of the Meeting
24.2.1999	National Level Review meeting under the Chairmanship of Secretary at New Delhi.
11.3.1999	High Level Monitoring Committee Meeting under the Chairmanship of Secretary with representatives of Madhya Pradesh, Haryana, Delhi, Tamil Nadu, Ministry of Finance (Banking Division), RBI and HSMI at New Delhi.
30.7.1999	National Level Review Meeting under the Chairmanship of secretary at New Delhi.
2.11.1999	National Level Review Meeting under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister at New Delhi.
3.5.2000	High Level Monitoring Committee Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Urban Employment and Poverty Alleviation at New Delhi with the Representatives of RBI, other Commercial Banks, Banking Division, Planning Commission and the representatives of State Governments.

Date	Level of the Meeting
13.11.2000	National Level Review meeting held under the Chairmanship of the Secretary (UEPA) at New Delhi.
27.12.2000	National Level Review Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for UD & PA which the concerned Ministers of the State Governments;
12.9.2002	National Level Review Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for UD&PA which the Urban Development Ministers of the State Governments.
21.10.2002	High Level Monitoring Committee meeting under the Chairmanship of Secretary with representatives of Kerala, Gujarat, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Orissa, Maharashtra, Planning Commission, Ministry of Finance (Banking Division), RBI and HSMI at New Delhi.

MD (Homoeopathy) course through correspondence in Kerala

*275. SHRI S. RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the starting of MD (Homoeopathy) course in Kerala through correspondence;

(b) whether Government are aware that a large section of postgraduate students in Homoeopathy Medical College in Thiruvananthapuram protested against Government's move to the correspondence course as it defeats the very purpose of maintaining uniform standard in education;

(c) if so, whether Government are considering to review its decision; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.